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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE OF CONSERVATION

March 6, 2003

Mr. B. J. Duplantis GORDON, ARATA, McCOLLAM, DUPLANTIS & EAGAN LLP Post Office Box 81829 Lafayette, LA 70598-1829

RE:

EMERGENCY REQUEST OF March 3, 2003

SAND(S):

Marg Howei Stringer Sand, Reservoir A

FIELD:

COULEE HIPPOLYTE FIELD

PARISH:

Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana

APPLICANT:

NEUMIN PRODUCTION COMPANY

Dear Mr. Duplantis:

Because of the reason set forth in your emergency request letter, it has been determined that undue hardship would be caused by the 20-day delay prescribed in Rule 3 of the Revised Rules of Procedure, effective October 11, 1983. You are therefore permitted to immediately file your application in compliance with Rule 8 of the Revised Rules of Procedure.

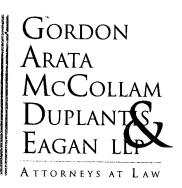
Yours very truly,

JAMES H. WELSH COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

By:__

hn R. Aldridge, Kirector
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March 3, 2003

Ref: 2848-20753

Mr. John Aldridge Director, Engineering Division Office of Conservation Post Office Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9275

Re:

Marg Howei Stringer Sand, Reservoir A COULEE HIPPOLYTE FIELD

Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana

Applicant: Neumin Production Company

Dear Mr. Aldridge:

Attached to this letter is a plat which shows the leases which, as indicated, will expire on April 24, 2003.

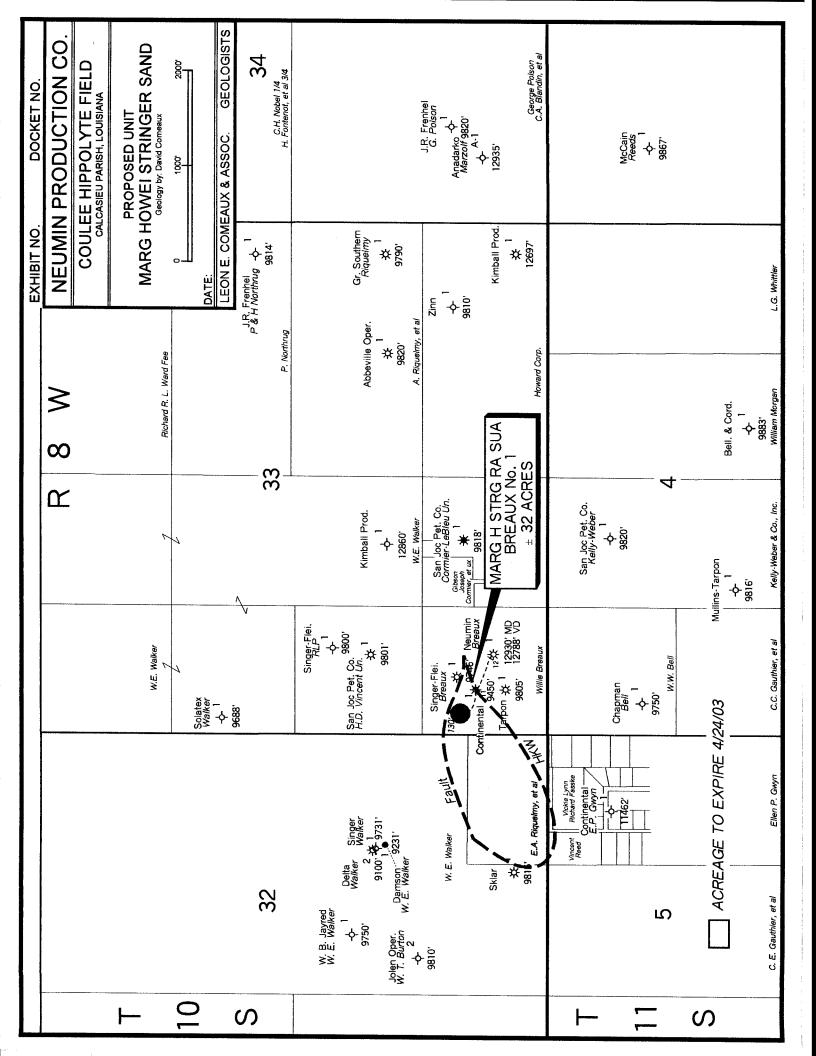
We have finalized the geology relative to the subject sand and the expiring leases will be included in our proposed unit. Therefore, in order to unitize the subject sand prior to the expiration date of the leases, we respectfully request waiver of the pre-application notice required in Rule 3 of the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation in connection with this matter.

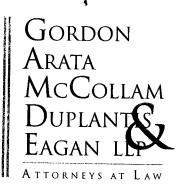
Please be assured that, if a waiver of the pre-application notice requirement is granted, we will fully comply with Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation.

Very truly yours,

Duplantis

BJD:ht Enclosures





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March 3, 2003

Ref: 2848-20753

Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Post Office Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re:

Hearing Application

Marg Howei Stringer Sand, Reservoir A

COULEE HIPPOLYTE FIELD
Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana

Applicant: Neumin Production Company

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **Neumin Production Company** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the Marg Howei Stringer Sand, Reservoir A, in the Coulee Hippolyte Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

- To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 32 acres for the Marg Howei Stringer Sand, Reservoir A, designated as the MARG H STRG RA SUA, Coulee Hippolyte Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
- 2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said unit;
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
- 4. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the unit created herein.
- 5. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoirs as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

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The Marg Howei Stringer Sand, Reservoir A in the Coulee Hippolyte Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the measured depths of 9,004 feet and 9,028 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Neumin Production Company-Willie Breaux No. 1 Well, located in Section 33, Township 10 South, Range 8 West.

The Commissioner of Conservation has waived the twenty (20) day preapplication notice requirement provided for in Rule 3 of the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation and that rule is not applicable to this hearing application.

A conference to discuss this application WILL BE HELD at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, March 17, 2003, in the offices of Gordon, Arata, McCollam, Duplantis & Eagan, LLP, 625 E. Kaliste Saloom Rd., Suite 301, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the MARG H STRG RA SUA, Coulee Hippolyte Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this application. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. David Comeaux of Leon Comeaux & Associates, Inc., P. O. Box 53922, Lafayette, La 70505 (337) 233-9839

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

B. J Duplantis

BJD:ht Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson
District Manager, Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

